

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER

3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Chair Gildardo Oceguela (remotely), Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Brian Siana, Nancy Melendez, and Rosemary Heru

ABSENT: Board Members Sandra Polichetti, Warren Avery, and Gary Montgomery

Vice Chair Goldware called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Board Member Heru led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE

There was no one wishing to address the Board of Public Utilities.

COMMUNICATIONS

Kaitlin Reiersen provided the Office of Communications update.

PUBLIC HEARING

FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 USER FEES AND CHARGES FOR RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES ELECTRIC AND WATER - RESOLUTION

Hearing was called to receive public input related to Fiscal Year 2024-25 User Fees and Charges for Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water. One person spoke regarding the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to (1) adopt a resolution to establish the Fiscal Year 2024-25 User Fees and Charges for Riverside Public Utilities Electric and adopt a resolution to establish the Fiscal Year 2024-25 User Fees and Charges for Riverside Public Utilities Water; (3) recommend the City Council conduct a public hearing to receive public input related to the Fiscal Year 2024-25 User Fees and Charges for Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water; and (4) recommend the City Council adopt a resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2024-25 User Fees and Charges for Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water. The motion carried with Chair Oceguela, Vice Chair Goldware, and Board Members Wohlgemuth, Melendez, and Heru voting aye, Board Member Siana voting no, and Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 2024-2 of the Board of Public Utilities of the City of Riverside, California (1) adopting revised Electric Fees and Charges Schedule (Appendix A), Electric Rule 4, Electric Rule 7, Electric Rule 11, Electric Rule 22, Water Fees and Charges Schedule (Appendix A), Water Rule 4, Water Rule 7, Water Rule 8, Water Rule 10, Water Rule 11, Water Rule 14, Water Rule 16, Water Schedule Wa-5; (2) Making Findings of Fact; and (3) recommending City Council approval thereof was presented and adopted.



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CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 13, 2024, were approved as presented.

ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Vice Chair Goldware from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held April 22, 2024.

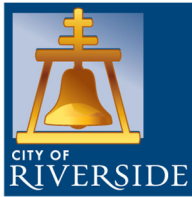
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 EXPENDITURES FOR ANNUAL PURCHASE ORDERS

The Board of Public Utilities approved (1) the expenditure for 14 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Purchase Orders for Electric and Water operations, with an estimated amount of \$3,301,639; (2) the expenditure for 21 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Purchase Orders for Central Stores for orders benefiting Electric and Water operations, with an estimated amount of \$21,703,682; (3) a not-to-exceed 20 percent allowance for Producer Price Index (PPI) increases for 21 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Purchase Orders for Central Stores for orders benefiting Electric and Water operations; (4) the expenditure for 66 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Existing Contract Purchase Orders with an estimated total amount of \$18,474,175; (5) the expenditure for 18 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annually Recurring Expenditures for SHARE, memberships and subscription expenses are either greater than \$50,000 per year or could over a number of years, cumulatively exceed \$50,000 for multi-year expenses, with an estimated total amount of \$4,402,094; (6) the expenditure for 77 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Purchase Orders with cumulative multiple year costs equal to or greater than \$50,000 with an estimated total amount of \$3,146,058; and (7) the expenditure for the annual legal budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25 for the law firm of Thompson Coburn in an amount not to exceed \$720,000.

LEASE AGREEMENT - MISSION SQUARE OFFICE BUILDING - 3750 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 560
The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) approve a Lease Agreement for a 63-month term with Riverside Gateway to College Early College High School, of Riverside, California from July 1, 2024, through September 30, 2029; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Lease Agreement, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction.

TERMINATION LEASE AGREEMENT - MISSION SQUARE OFFICE BUILDING - 3750 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 560

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) approve a Termination Lease Agreement with David L. Horton, Esq. and Associates effective April 1, 2024; and



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(2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Termination Agreement, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction.

REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB) 8090 - PROCUREMENT OF 12.5 PERCENT LIQUID SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE

The Board of Public Utilities (1) awarded RFB No. 8090 to Univar Solutions USA LLC., for the procurement of 12.5 percent liquid sodium hypochlorite, for three years, in the annual amount of \$571,200; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute annual Purchase Orders and renewals with Univar Solutions USA LLC., for such procurements, including making minor and nonsubstantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transactions.

SERVICES AGREEMENT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2352 - AIR HANDLER & CONDENSER REPLACEMENT - WORK ORDER 2423425 IN AMOUNT OF \$98,992 - JOHN W. NORTH WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approve a Services Agreement from Request for Proposal No. 2352 for the Air Handler & Condenser Replacement at John W. North water treatment plant with Paradigm Mechanical Corp of Santee, California, in the amount of \$98,992; and (2) approve Work Order No. 2423425 in the amount of \$98,992.

INCREASE TO ANNUAL LEGAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council approve an increase to the annual legal budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for the law firm of Thompson Coburn in an amount not-to-exceed \$205,000, for a revised total budget of \$763,000.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

AGREEMENT - SERVICES AND SPONSORSHIP EVENTS FOR RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES - FISCAL YEARS 2024-2025 AND 2025-2026

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Melendez that the Board of Public Utilities approve an annual expenditure in an amount not-to-exceed \$69,245 for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 for the Professional Services Agreement with the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce for services and sponsorship events for Riverside Public Utilities, including an optional two-year term of the agreement subject to availability of funds. The motion carried with Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware, Board Members Siana, Melendez, and Heru voting aye, Board Member Wohlgenuth voting no, and Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.



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2024 WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth that the Board of Public Utilities recommend that City Council approve the Riverside Public Utilities 2024 Wildfire Mitigation Plan for submittal to the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board in accordance with California Public Utilities Code Section 8387. The motion carried unanimously with Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT TO CURRENT RESIDENTIAL AIR CONDITIONING/HEAT PUMP REBATE PROGRAM

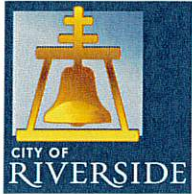
Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Heru and seconded by Board Member Melendez that the Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council approve a program enhancement to the current residential Air Conditioning/Heat Pump Rebate Program by creating a dedicated rebate program for Heat Pumps and increasing the heat pump incentive to \$750 per ton, with a total annual heat pump rebate program limit of \$375,000. The motion carried with Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware, Board Members Wohlgemuth, Melendez, and Heru voting aye, Board Member Siana voting no, and Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT - 80 MEGAWATTS OF CAPACITY FROM SHIRK ENERGY STORAGE FACILITY

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Siana and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth that the Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council (1) approve the Resource Adequacy Purchase and Sale Agreement with Vesi 15 LLC for 80 megawatts of battery energy storage capacity from the Shirk Energy Storage Facility for a term of fifteen years and an estimated average annual cost of \$7,600,000; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Resource Adequacy Purchase and Sale Agreement and all documents necessary to administer the Agreement including the ability to make non substantive changes, as well as to execute future amendments to the Resource Adequacy Purchase and Sale Agreement under terms and conditions substantially similar or superior to the Resource Adequacy Purchase and Sale Agreement or, if needed, to terminate the Resource Adequacy Purchase and Sale Agreement in accordance with Agreement terms and conditions. The motion carried unanimously with Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2289 - MASTER AGREEMENT AS-NEEDED ASPHALT AND CONCRETE REPAIR SERVICES

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Heru and seconded by Board Member Melendez that the Board of Public Utilities (1) approve an expenditure in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000 each fiscal year for As-Needed Asphalt and Concrete Repair Services for Water System Maintenance and (2) that the Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council (a) approve a Master Agreement with Hardy & Harper, Inc., of Lake Forest, California, from RFP No. 2289 for As-Needed Asphalt and Concrete Repair Services for Water System



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Maintenance, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,500,000 per fiscal year for a term through June 30, 2027, with the option to extend for one additional two-year term; (b) with at least five affirmative votes, adopt a resolution exempting the individual assignments under this As-Needed Asphalt and Concrete Repair Services Agreement from competitive bidding requirements of City Charter Section 1109; and (c) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Master Agreement with Hardy & Harper, Inc., and any other documents necessary to effectuate the work described herein, including making minor and non-substantive changes and to execute the optional two-year extension subject to funding availability, need, and acceptable performance. The motion carried unanimously with Board Members Polichetti, Avery, and Montgomery absent.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

SYSTEMATIC REPORTING ON MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND SEMINARS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF

There were no reports given at this time.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

There were no future items requested at this time.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the General Manager's reports including: (1) Accounts Receivable and Delinquencies as of February 29, 2024; (2) Electric Contractor and Consultant Panel updates as of March 31, 2024; (3) Power Supply Report for March 31, 2024; (4) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of April 30, 2024; (5) Water Supply Report for April 30, 2024; (6) Customer Engagement Report updates through April 2024; (7) Southern California Public Power Authority Agenda and Minutes; (8) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (9) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANA ALEGRIA
Deputy City Clerk